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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
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Application No.: 10/567,319

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Art Unit: 1792

For: PERIMETER PARTITION-VALVE WITH  
PROTECTED SEALS AND ASSOCIATED  
SMALL SIZE PROCESS CHAMBERS AND  
MULTIPLE CHAMBER SYSTEMS

Examiner: R. Zervigon

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed June 24, 2009, Applicant hereby provisionally elects claims 1 – 53 for continued examination without traverse.

The Examiner has required restriction between the claims of Group I, i.e., claims 1 – 53, drawn to an apparatus; and the claim of Group II, i.e., claim 54, drawn to a method. The amended claims are attached hereto and are amended to conform to US Patent Office requirements.

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Applicant believes no fee is due with this response. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 50-1848, under Order No. 020008.0113PTUS from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Respectfully submitted,  
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